

Windsor Rotary Bulletin



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

Coming This Week ...

Boys & Girls Club at Juvenile Hall

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Sonoma County recently opened their 13th Club, which is located at Sonoma County Juvenile Hall. This is an amazing opportunity to positively affect the lives of youth who most likely ended up in Juvenile Hall because they didn't have the opportunity to participate in the programs offered by the Boys & Girls Clubs. Jason Weiss, Co-Chief Executive Officer of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Sonoma County, will present the program Tuesday morning.

CALENDAR

December - Family Month

- 13 Program: Boys & Girls Club at Juvenile Hall
- 14 Board Meeting
- 17 Salvation Army Bell Ringing at WalMart
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- 20 Club Assembly: Fundraising Part II
- 27 Dark

Meeting Assignments this Week

- Greeter:** Rich Mucci
Janet Rogers
- Raffle Tickets:** Carl Wiuff
- Inspiration:** Tom Hassur
- Song:**
- Set Up:** Dick Bishop

December Milestones

Birthday:

- 1 Karen Ricketts
- 3 John Horton
- 7 Victor McKnight
- 13 Tammy Gabel
- 26 Carl Wiuff
- 29 David Pajon

Wedding Anniversary:

- 1 Tom and Brenda Hassur
- 19 Jack and Janet Hyde
- 28 Jo and Tom Timmsen



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December 13, 2011

Message from the RI President

December, 2011



My dear brothers and sisters in Rotary,

In late August, Binota and I were in Ghana, where Rotary Foundation Trustee Vice Chair Sam Okudzeto and enthusiastic local Rotarians took us to the ribbon-cutting for a water project in a little village, Abutia Teti, about 60 miles from Accra. We arrived at about 11 a.m., and the whole village seemed to be there. Everyone had been waiting since early morning to welcome us. In the past, the women had to walk over 3 miles to carry pails of water from a river. Now they had a supply of safe, clean water from tube wells in the village itself. It was a simple but effective project in which Rotary and USAID had worked together. But what struck us most that day was family: The men, the women, the children were all there together, dancing, singing, and welcoming us. It made me think about how everywhere around the world, people come together in families, and families join together as communities.

And this made me happy that the first of our emphases in this Rotary year is the family, because the family is where everything begins. It is where life begins, it is where our day begins, and it is where our Rotary service must begin. Because it is the family, and not the individual, that is the building block of the community – and of Rotary.

It is one of my great priorities to encourage the involvement of families in Rotary service. I feel incredibly strongly that Rotary should never, ever come between the Rotarian and the family. Rotary service should be something that brings the family closer together. For myself, if I cannot bring Binota with me to a Rotary event, it's simple – I don't go! Rotary is not just for me; it is for both of us. This is why I encourage districts to welcome families at district conferences, to involve spouses and children in service projects, and to plan meeting times with families in mind. The more that families are involved in Rotary, the more Rotary will thrive – today and tomorrow.

What is Rotary about? It's about so many things, but at its core, Rotary is about these words: *Love your neighbor as yourself*. Rotary is about love, and that love has to start with us - and with those closest to us.

Kalyan Banerjee
President, Rotary International



Notes and News of the Dec. 6 Meeting...

President Pegi rang the bell and **Dave Koch** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Larry Wasem provided the morning's inspiration with some quotes from those famous philosophers, Leslie Nielsen and Slappy White. **Don Johnson** was our Songmeister and led a



spirited rendition of "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer".



Visiting Rotarians: **DG Maureen Merrill** introduced Gabe Hoffman (Cloverdale). **Lynda Pinochi** introduced her husband, Tony Pinochi (Ignacio). **John How** introduced David Mark-Raymond (Sebastopol Sunrise).

Guests of Rotarians: **Patricia Prescott** introduced Leah Hansen, and **Lynda Pinochi** introduced her son, Tyler McDowell and Judith Light. **Tom Boylan** introduced our speakers, Rick Nowlin and Peggy Mulhall, from the Wells Fargo Center. **Tom** also introduced our "son", Simone Paci, from Milan, Italy. **Jim Cooper** introduced Bruce Okrepkie.

Announcements: Judith Light extended an invitation to attend a New Year's Eve Gala at the Fountaingrove Inn which will benefit the full circle of life: Cloverdale Ranch's Rotary (Cool Kids) Camp for abused children and the Elder Care Expo. Email CloverleafRanch.com for details and reservations.



Don Johnson announced that **Wine Raffle** tickets will be available next week. Each member is expected to sell (or buy) 20 tickets. Members are asked to donate two bottles of premium wine with a value of \$25 or more. Start bringing your donations to meetings now. We've already collected a case or so for the drawing on Valentine's Day.

Joe Deacon announced our next **Career Day** will be December 8 at Windsor Oaks Academy. Speakers scheduled are a physical therapist, a Navy recruiter, and a psychic.



Tuesday Morning's Belong to Rotary ...



DG Maureen inducted Leah Hansen as our newest member. Leah is the Financial Manager for Buff, Inc., a sportswear manufacturer (they make the buffs seen on "Survivor"). Leah was sponsored by **Patricia Prescott**, and we gave her our usual shakin' welcome. Don't forget to introduce yourself to Leah and to sign her club roster.



December is Family Month ...

When clubs work to assist families in their communities and celebrate the family of Rotary, which encompasses spouses and children of Rotarians, participants in RI programs, and others in the community with strong ties to Rotary.



Christmas Party at the Ling's! It's this coming Saturday, December 10, at 6:30. **Bev Graham** has details.

This year our Social Committee has some exciting plans for our Christmas Party, and although we are not going to include **Toys for Kids** as part of our party, the committee feels it is too important not to continue. We are not going to draw names, but **President Pegi** is hoping you will go out and purchase a special toy or two and bring them to the December 13 meeting and they will be delivered to the Windsor Fire Department who will distribute them to local kids.





President Pegi will be passing her Santa hat Tuesday morning and hopes you will contribute toward our gratuity for Cody, our Charlie's server, and the Chef, who has been preparing our breakfasts for a long time.

We're ringing the **Salvation Army** bell at WalMart December 17 and 19. If you want to participate and didn't sign up, please let **Jerry Shafer** know - he can always use more bell ringers.



Donate to the Salvation Army Christmas fund

President Pegi reminds us that the **Bell Manor Christmas Luncheon** is Tuesday, December 13, and volunteers are always needed to serve and/or deliver meals to residents. Santa Claus will make an appearance to distribute gifts, we'll have music and all kinds of fun.



With some help from the District Annual Giving Chair David Mark-Raymond and our Foundation Chair **Pat McDowell, DG Maureen** drew the tickets for

the Foundation raffle. Lou Hopper (Sebastopol Sunrise) won the iPad, and Bill Thomas (Rancho Cotati) won the Bangkok trip to the RI Convention in May.



Raffle: The pot was up to \$99.00 and **Tammy Gable** had the winning ticket, but no luck finding the elusive green marble. However, **John Horton** did take home tickets for a Manhattan Transfer concert, courtesy of our guests from the Wells Fargo Center.



Polio this week

As of Wednesday, December 7, 2011

Total cases	YTD 2011	YTD 2010	Total in 2010
Globally	560	841	1352
In Endemic Countries*	272	201	232
In Non-Endemic Countries	288	640	1120

*Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan

Source: www.polioeradication.org as of 12-7-2011

Program: Tom Boylan introduced Rick Nowlin, Executive Director of the Wells Fargo Center for the Arts, who spoke about this "Sonoma County jewel". The Luther Burbank Center was founded in the late 1970s by a group of local business and community leaders who dreamed of creating a home for the arts in Sonoma County. This group included Rotarians from Santa Rosa and Santa Rosa West. The name was changed from Luther Burbank to Wells Fargo in 2006 when Wells became their largest supporter. Today, the Wells Fargo Center is one of the top 100 theaters in the world by number of tickets sold with 12 million patrons having passed through their doors, of which 600,000 were kids.



A major focus is the Center's Education Through the Arts program which serves to enrich the lives of children and adults in our community through a broad range of learning opportunities. One of the leading programs of its kind nationwide, the Center's approach to arts education is both unique and highly effective. It not only teaches about the arts (music, theater, dance, and visual art) but also uses the arts as a dynamic tool for teaching and learning all core subjects, such as math, science, and literature. Hence the name: Education THROUGH the Arts.

END POLIO NOW

After 25 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are on the brink of eradicating this tenacious disease, but a strong push is needed now to root it out once and for all. It is a window of opportunity of historic proportions.

Sue Nelson was our meeting photographer this week. Thanks, Sue!

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2011-12 Rotary International President
Kalyan Banerjee (Vapi, India)
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Rotary International is an association of Rotary Clubs organized into 530 districts in 200 countries. District 5130 includes the counties of Sonoma, Napa, Lake, Mendocino, Humboldt and Del Norte.

How to make up a meeting ...

On-line Make-ups:

www.rotaryclubone.org

Web Site for Make-up Information:

(meeting locations for all clubs in the district):
www.rotary5130.org/meeting_locations.shtml

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How to make a donation to The Rotary Foundation online:

Go to www.rotary.org and click on the "Contribute" tab
Click on "Contribute Now" and type in your user name and password
If you are not registered, click on "not registered yet"

District #: 5130

Club #: 24931

Membership ID #: Located on your copy of the *Rotarian*, it is the first seven digits directly above your name on the address label. Or ask Club Secretary Marie Coakley for your Membership ID#.

Once logged in, click on "Contribute to The Rotary Foundation" and then click on *Annual Programs Fund* and make your donation

Club Roster

Member	Classification (industry)	Employment
Bill Arnone**	Law, Civil Litigation	Merrill, Arnone & Jones
Pegi Ball*	Catering	Pegi's Catering
Richard (Dick) Bishop*	Contracting, Roofing	Maddux & Associates
Thomas R. Boylan**	Marketing	Boylan Point Agency
Diane C. Brabetz*	Nursing, Home Care	At Home Nursing
Ronald Carli*	Agriculture, Lending	American AgCredit, Inc.
Bill Carson*	Recreation, Management	Windsor Golf Club
Allen Christenson*	Banking, Commercial	AltaPacific Bank
E. Marie Coakley*	Non-Profits	Retired
Jackie Coffin*	Packaging	Pack Ship & More
Susan Cole***	Marketing, Winery	Pezzi-King Vineyards & Winery
William T. Conklin, DDS	Dentistry	William T. Conklin, DDS
Jim Cooper*	Computers	Advanced PC Systems
David Culley*	Restaurateur	KC's Downtown Grill
Craig Curreri**	Residential Real Estate	Coldwell Banker
Joe Deacon	Human Resources	Deacon Consulting, LLC
Marc Elin*	Education - Administration	Windsor Unified School District
Diana Elsbree*	Agriculture, Vineyard & Winery	Elsbree Vineyards
Tammy Gabel	Education - Administration	Windsor Unified School District
Robin Goble*	Public Service	Town of Windsor
Bev Graham**	Financial Planning	GRP Wealth Strategies Group
Leah Hansen	Finance	Buff, Inc.
Dennis Harris*	Meeting Planner	Retired
Tom Hassur*	Manufacturing	Techni-Glass, Inc.
Tom Holmes*	Insurance	New York Life
John Horton*	Chiropractor	John Horton Chiropractic
John How**	Portfolio Management, Personal	JDH Investment Co.
Jack Hyde***	Manufacturing	HyDome Inc.
Renee Hyde**	Insurance	State Farm Insurance
Don Johnson**	Mortgage Broker	Western Pacific Loans, Inc.
George Johnston*	Manufacturing	AG Technology
Michael Juric***	Education, Consulting	Retired
Brad Kahn*	Advertising, Radio	Wine Country Radio
Dave Koch*	Contracting	Koch Construction
Sandie Krutz*	Event Planning	Baskets to Banquets
Wally Krutz*	Consulting, Aviation	
Chris Landwehr*	Mortgage Broker	Prospect Mortgage
John LeCave*	Mortgage Broker	Fountain Grove Mortgage
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Pat McDowell*	Winery, Management	Retired
Victor McKnight*	Insurance, Employee Benefits	Sitzmann, Morris and Lavis, Inc.
Maureen Merrill***	Communications Coaching	Harris Merrill Consulting
Kurt Mitchler, DDS	Dentistry	Mitchler Dental Care
Joan Mora*	Gymnastics, Instruction	Windsor Gymnastics Center
Ken Moulton***	Education, Administration	Retired
Rich Mucci*	Health Care	Studio 4 Rom Tech
Susan M. Nelson***	Engineering, Civil	Retired
David Pajon	Public Relations	G&C Auto Body
Warin Parker*	Financial Adviser	New York Life/Eagle Strategies Corp.
Lynda Pinochi*	Live Scan and Ink Fingerprinting	TruScan Fingerprint Service

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Michael (Rags) Ragsdale**	Contracting, Electrical	Knights' Electric
Bill Rash*	Communications	Windsor Telecom
Karen Ricketts	Education, HR Director	Windsor Unified School District
Janet Rogers*	Non-Profit, Chamber of Commerce	Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce
Gretchen Ross*	Education, Administration	Retired
Franklyn (Frank) Ross*	Retail Sales	Retired
Jim Ruppert*	Community Banking	Exchange Bank
Glenda Sales*	Management, Industrial Center	Shiloh Business & Industrial Center
Jerry Shafer*	Contracting, Solar	Affinity Solar Energy
Preston Smith**	Real Estate	Cornish & Carey Commercial
Rick Snell	Accounting, Bookkeeping	Access Bookkeeping
Jim Summers*	Security Alarms	Advanced Security Systems
Jo Timmsen*	Non-Profit Organization	
Philip Trowbridge***	Residential Development	Taylor Mountain, Inc.
Ed Turner***	Accounting, Finance	Airport Business Center
Larry L. Wasem***	Development, Industrial	Airport Business Center
Jane Watermann*	Professional Stager	The Final Stage
Dennis Wilkinson*	Awards/Promotions	D&S Awards & Engraving
Carl Wiuff***	Retail, Management	Retired

*Past President

**Served two terms as President

*Paul Harris Fellow

*John S. Lewis Fellow

*Past District Governor